## **SUMMARY**

These rules update existing procedure to comply with the requirements of Act 1330 of 2003. The new law allows water users to form a water authority as well as convert to a water authority. These rules also require entities forming or converting under these rules to give the Commission a description of geographic service area and certification that all water systems within five miles of the applicant have been notified of the applicant's proposed geographic boundaries. The Commission hopes to prevent conflict over service areas between established water authorities by recognizing service area at formation or conversion. These rules also contain procedures for existing water authorities to expand or limit their service areas by following similar notification procedures prior to applying to the Commission.